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## **CLAIM AMENDMENTS**

Claims 1-274 (canceled)

275. A multimeric composition comprising more than one monomeric unit, eaid wherein each monomeric unit eemprising comprises two elements covalently attached to one another, wherein said a first element is (a) a protein, solected from the group consisting of an antibody, a cellular matrix protein and a receptor binding protein a protein, wherein said protein is a ligand to a cell surface receptor, and wherein said a second element is (b) a polymer, selected from the group consisting of a polynucleotide and a polysaccharide and and wherein said each monomeric units are unit is attached to a binding matrix through said second element via nonecvalent polymeric interactions selected from the group consisting of hydrogen bonding and dipole interactions and combinations thereof, between said polymer polynucleotide of said monomeric unit and said polymer of said binding matrix, wherein said binding matrix is selected from the group consisting of a polypeptide, a polynucleotide or polysaccharide or any combination thereof.

Claims 276-289 (canceled)

289. (withdrawn) A process for delivering the multimeric complex of claim 275 to a subject comprising introducing the complex to one or more cells ex vivo and administering said cells to said subject.

290. (withdrawn) A process for delivering the multimeric complex of claim 275 to a subject comprising administering said complex to said subject.

Claims 291-295 (canceled)

296. (new) The composition according to claim 275, wherein said ligand to a cell surface receptor is a hormone.

297. (new) The composition according to claim 298, wherein said hormone is insulin.

298. (new) The composition according to claim 275, wherein said ligand to a cell surface receptor is a growth factor.

299. (new) The composition according to claim 298, wherein said growth factor is erythropoietin.

300. (new) The composition according to claim 275, wherein said iigand to a cell surface receptor is a cytokine.

301. (new) The composition according to claim 300, wherein said cytokine is a lymphokine.